

WestWinds ECC Basketball Hoop Guideline

Approved/Adopted by WWBOD February 19, 2014 (Supersedes all previous WW Basketball Hoop Guidelines)

Prior to installation, basketball hoop systems must be registered and approved by the WestWinds ECC (Note that only WW registration/approval is required, not LLA). Two types of basketball hoop systems and locations will be considered for approval by the WWECC, as follows:

1. "In-ground" and "portable" systems installed in the "back yard" of an Improved Lot. Note that evergreen shrubbery and/or deciduous bushes/trees are required to screen the system from view from the street and golf course. In addition, if a playing area (i.e., pad/court) is installed, prior ECC approval is required.
2. "Portable" systems installed in the "front yard" adjacent to driveway. If approved, homeowner must comply with the Covenant requirement (i.e., children's play and similar equipment shall not be allowed to remain overnight within any front yard of any Improved Lot) and Condition of Approval listed below.

Neither hoop system shall be attached to any resident's dwelling and/or garage.

Application Submission Procedure

Complete and sign a WW Basketball Hoop Application Form (on reverse), include all information requested, and mail to WestWinds ECC, P.O. Box 589, New Market, MD 21774. Insufficient information and/or an incomplete package may delay processing or result in rejection. No application review fee required.

Review/Approval Process

Each application will be considered on a case-by-case basis and will take into account the following factors:

1. Location of proposed hoop. (Use of the system must not constitute a nuisance to neighbors and placement of a backboard should be such that errant balls do not end up on neighbor's property.)
2. Sufficient shrubbery and/or tree screening for back yard installations. Back yards that currently have sufficient shrubbery/trees may not require additional shrubbery/trees.
3. Type of backboard/pole. (Backboard should be comprised of a maintenance-free material. Tempered glass or shatterproof acrylic backboard is preferred, but not mandatory. Dark colored poles such as black, brown, and dark grey are permitted.)

After ECC review, an approval (or denial) notice will be sent to the homeowner. If approved, a green "WestWinds Basketball Hoop Permit" will be provided and is to be attached to the basketball hoop pole. The permit identifies that the hoop system has been registered with and approved by the WWECC.

Conditions of Approval

Homeowner submitting and signing the WW Basketball Hoop Application Form agrees to adhere to the following conditions of approval. I (or we) will:

1. Not allow equipment to be used prior to 9:00 a.m. and after 8:00 p.m. (or dusk), 7 days a week.
2. Not allow equipment's use to constitute authorization for the players to encroach or trespass on a neighbor's property to retrieve balls or use as a playing field in any way.
3. Repair any damage to adjacent properties caused by players.
4. Install and maintain equipment in location approved and/or designated by the WWECC.
5. Attach the WW Basketball Hoop Permit sticker provided to the hoop pole.
6. Keep net, backboard, and pole in good repair.
7. Remove hoop system from property if any complaint(s) (including noise disturbance) related to the basketball hoop system are received by the WW Village Association.
8. Remove hoop system (i.e., take or dispose of it) from the property upon selling and vacating the house.
9. Not allow hoop system to remain in front yard at night and will remove accordingly (for front yard hoops only).

Covenant/Land Use Standard References

Children's play and similar equipment shall not be allowed to remain overnight within any front yard of any Improved Lot or within the Properties.

Only with the prior approval of the Environmental Control Committee may play equipment be attached in any manner to the exterior of any dwelling or otherwise installed on any Improved Lot.

No play equipment, including, without limitation, basketball backboards, basketball hoops and other equipment associated with either adult or juvenile recreation, shall be attached in any manner to the exterior of any dwelling or otherwise installed on any Improved Lot.

No such equipment will be allowed unless screened from view from the street and Golf Facility and placed in such a manner as to not constitute a nuisance to adjoining Owners or Vacant Lot Owners.

WESTWINDS BASKETBALL HOOP APPLICATION FORM

(Application for In-Ground & Portable Basketball Hoop Installation for Back & Front Yards)

Homeowner Name _____ Date _____

Street Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell or Work Phone _____

Email Address _____

Provide Following:

Check hoop system to be installed: _____ In-Ground _____ Portable

Check proposed location requested: _____ Back Yard _____ Front Yard

Brand name/distinguishing characteristics _____
(including manufacturer's ad/brochure depicting the hoop system is helpful, but not mandatory)

Construction material of backboard _____

Backboard dimensions _____ Pole Color _____

Provide For Back Yard Request:

Site Plan showing location where proposed equipment will be installed and distance to lot lines.

Landscape Plan showing location, and names and final growth height/width of proposed shrubbery and/or deciduous tree.

Current photos showing back yard to ascertain if lot is sufficiently screened.

If a hard surface pad/court is to be installed, on the Site Plan draw-in the project and provide dimensions and material to be used.

Provide For Front Yard Request:

Site Plan showing location where proposed equipment will be installed and distance to lot lines.

Current photos showing front of home/yard.

Signature of Homeowner (required) _____

Date Received by WWECC _____ Date Approved by WWECC _____

WWECC Action:

_____ Approved basketball hoop system as requested above

_____ WestWinds Basketball Hoop Permit enclosed, if approved

_____ Disapproved/Reason Denied _____

_____ Approved hoop location

_____ Disapproved/Reason Denied _____

_____ Approved Landscaping Plan as submitted

_____ Disapproved/Reason Denied _____

_____ Waived requirement for shrubbery/trees--lot appears to contain sufficient screening per photos submitted

_____ Approved hard surface pad/court as submitted

_____ Disapproved/Reason Denied _____